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VICTIMS AND SUSPECT IDENTIFIED IN BENNETT AREA DOUBLE HOMICIDE

On August 25, 2005 at 4:59 P.M. the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office received a report of an active shooter at:

**748 West Fork Way
Bennett, Colorado**

A citizen identified as:

**Fred S. Hawkins – DOB 08/11/49
748 West Fork Way
Bennett, Colorado**

reported that two males had been shot and he and six others were inside his residence. The shooter was actively attempting to gain entry into the residence. A sheriff's communications technician encouraged Mr. Hawkins to seek a more secure location within the residence. Mr. Hawkins and two adults, identified as:

Sarah S. Cole – DOB 02/21/79

Jennifer E. Cole – DOB 10/27/81

quickly escorted four children to the basement of the home.

At 5:15 PM Arapahoe County and Adams County Sheriff's Deputies arrived on the scene and confronted the suspect, who was armed with a handgun. Deputies ordered the suspect to drop his weapon. He complied and he was placed into custody shortly thereafter. He was subsequently identified as:

Jason William Bondurant – DOB 09/15/79

While the suspect was surrendering, additional deputies entered the rear of the residence to check for other suspects and rescue those inside. Shortly after entering the residence, deputies discovered two deceased males, later identified as:

Christopher Hawkins – DOB 11/15/73

Cory Reed – DOB 03/10/87

The three adults and four children were safely located in the basement and escorted from the residence.

Bondurant is currently in custody at the Arapahoe County Detention Center facing the following charges:

C.R.S. 18-3-102 - Murder in the First Degree, a Class 1 Felony

A Class 1 Felony is punishable upon conviction, by a sentence of life imprisonment within the Department of Corrections or death.

C.R.S. 18-4-202 – 1st Degree Burglary, a Class 3 Felony

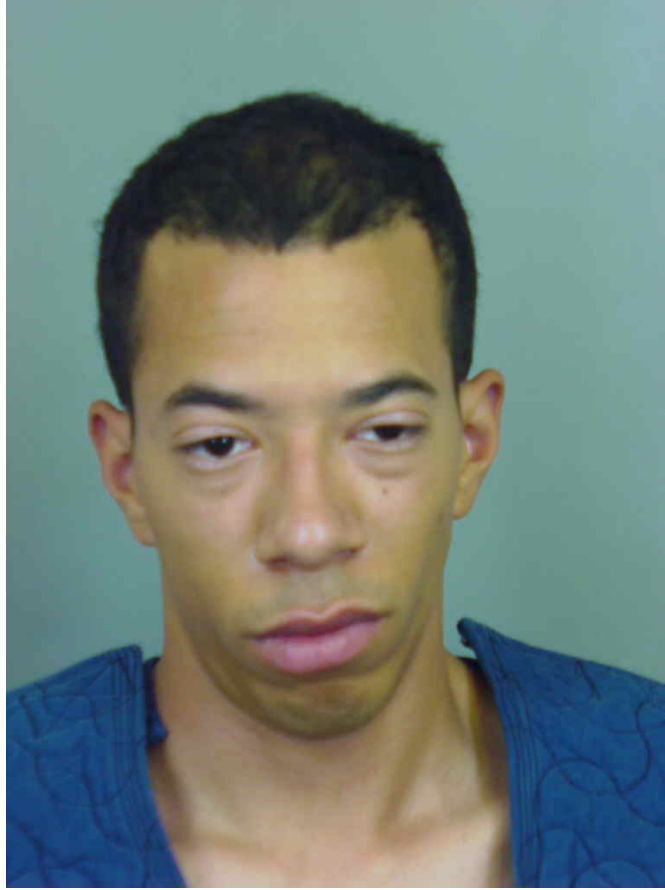
A Class 3 Felony is punishable upon conviction, by a sentence of 4–12 years imprisonment within the Department of Corrections.

C.R.S. 18-3-302 – 2nd Degree Kidnapping, a Class 4 Felony

A class four felony is punishable upon conviction, by a sentence of 2-6 years imprisonment within the Department of Corrections.

C.R.S. 18-3-206 – Felony Menacing, a Class 5 Felony

A Class 3 Felony is punishable upon conviction, by a sentence of 1 – 3 years imprisonment within the Department of Corrections.



Jason William Bondurant
(Photo available for release)

For further information, contact Sheriff Grayson Robinson at 720-874-4165.

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